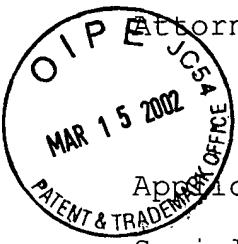


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Toshio UENO

Serial No. : 10/002,771

Filed : November 2, 2001

For : METHOD, SYSTEM AND COMPUTER
PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR PROVIDING
BACKUP DATA FOR USE IN STUDYING
CLAIMS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Att: Application Branch

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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims ~~5~~, ~~19~~ and ~~25~~, without prejudice; and
substitute amended claims ~~7~~, ~~21~~, ~~24~~ and ~~27~~, as follows:

7. (Amended) The method according to claim 4, further
comprising:

AI analyzing the information acquired from the product of
another user of the same model as that of the product which is an
5 object of claim and generating an average value of each backup
data item.

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